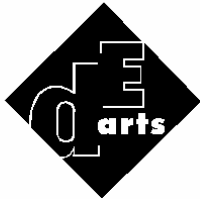


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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **News Release**

#### **GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR EXCELLENCE**

(Wilmington, Delaware—July 15, 2005)—Beginning August 2 and continuing through August 25, 2005, the Delaware Division of the Arts' Mezzanine Gallery will be filled with the works of ten outstanding young artists who have just completed a week at the Governor's School for Excellence at the University of Delaware in July. An opening reception for the exhibit will be held 5-8 p.m. on August 2.

Each year, high school art teachers throughout the state nominate their best rising juniors for a chance to participate in this intensive week of study and work. University of Delaware assistant professor of art Patty Moshanko teaches the program, which includes field trips to Longwood Gardens for plein air painting and to the exhibits and studios of the Delaware Center for the Contemporary Arts.

Students selected for this year's session are: Samantha D. Bateman, Cape Henlopen High School; Mimi Cheng, Caesar Rodney High School; Vivian E. Corbit, Wilmington Christian School; Caroline C. Graham, Newark High School; Kathryn M. Houck, Archmere Academy; Danyi Li, Cape Henlopen High School; Kirsten B. Sauer, Archmere Academy; Blair Todd, Campus Community High School; Susan Wong, Brandywine High School; and Ellen D. Zantzing, Tower Hill School.

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Alternates are: Lily Bieber-Ham, Sanford School; Alexandra N. Moreno, Padua Academy; Kristen N. Steele, Smyrna High School; Meghann E. Timney, Cab Calloway School of the Arts; and Sheila Viadya, Tower Hill School.

The Governor's School for Excellence was begun in 1979 by Governor Pierre S. du Pont. It traditionally hosts approximately 130 students—80 in the Academic Program and 50 in the Visual and Performing Arts. Students from public, religious, independent and home schools are eligible for the program. The Visual and Performing Arts students are chosen by audition only. For additional information about the Governor's School for Excellence, please contact Barb Brown, at (302) 577-3210

The Delaware Division of the Arts (DDOA) is an agency of the State of Delaware. Together with its advisory body, the Delaware State Arts Council, DDOA administers grants and programs that support arts programming, educate the public, increase awareness of the arts, and integrate the arts into all facets of Delaware life. Funding for DDOA programs is provided by annual appropriations from the Delaware General Assembly and grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art.